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## SIDELIGHTS ON MR. K's VISIT

We have been having a lot of hullabaloo over the coming visit to the United States of the Red Boss of Russia. But several lesser related items have gotten lost in the shuffle. While they do not make big headlines, they are still important.

First of all, I never thought I would live to see the day when a communist tyrant could unconsciously control the legislative processes of the American Congress. But that's what is happening. Members are break-

ing their necks, trying to wind up the present session so they can get out of Washington before Khrushchev arrives. They are scared of what their constituents will say if Congress is still in session and it is forced to invite Khrushchev to address it. Now there must be some limit to how cordial the representatives of the American people have to be to the Red Boss. It seems to me that the members of Congress, if they have not finished their work, would do well to stay on the

job. It would make their constituents much happier if they showed some gumption - and simply refused to invite Khrushchev into the halls of the Congress of free America.

Meantime, it turns out that Vice-President Nixon, on his visit to Soviet Russia, was not permitted to see any military plants or bases. In fact, Willard Edwards, of the *Chicago Tribune*, who was with the Nixon party, says that in all his travels in the Soviet Union, Nixon did not see one uniformed soldier, a military vehicle or a plane. But President Eisenhower and his Defense Secretary are practically begging Khrushchev to visit American military installations when he comes here.

One more sidelight on these

newly sweet exchanges. When Khrushchev arrives, everything he says and does will of course be fully reported by press, radio and television. When Mr. Nixon was in Russia, he made a TV and radio speech to the Russian people. This was hailed as a great thaw. Now the Soviet slaves would hear something besides Red propaganda. Well, it turns out that Nixon's speech was announced only one hour before it was made. The announcement said it would be heard at a certain time. The time came - no speech, only music. It was put on the air an hour later, on a program which reached only a limited audience around Moscow. And no other stations in or out of Moscow carried the speech.

## RED LIES REMAIN LIES

Pending Khrushchev's arrival here, we are beginning to hear a lot of nonsense - about how we are going to impress the Butcher of Budapest with the truth about American living standards, productivity and so on. I say this is nonsense for several reasons. Suppose Khrushchev is impressed? Does the President expect him to go back to Soviet Russia and tell his

people that he has been lying to them about America - that American workers really do own cars and homes, and can buy an infinite variety of food and clothing? There is a kitchen in the American model home on display at our Moscow fair. The Russians who go to the fair are goggle-eyed at it. It is a duplicate of a kitchen which can be found in millions of American homes.

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But one of Khrushchev's Soviet newspapers has been telling the Russian people that no American can afford such a kitchen - that it would cost \$250,000! Do we expect Mr. K. to return to Russia and tell his people that that was a big lie - that Americans really do have such kitchens, and something to cook in them?

But, more important, this whole notion of "letting Khrushchev see the real America" as it is called, overlooks a fact which our leaders still do not seem to realize. It is that it is absolutely essential that a communist boss believe his own lies - otherwise he would not be a communist. The formerly dedi-

cated Reds who have defected from communism have stressed this fact over and over - that a communist is so thoroughly drugged with communist ideology and propaganda that his mind is incapable of seeing anything else. This is what makes leaving the Red fold such a long and difficult task. And it is hardly likely that a man with Khrushchev's power over nearly a billion people, will permit himself to be diverted from his ruthless course by what he sees in America.

There is still another point about this. In a speech which Vice-President Nixon made while he was in Russia, he said he saw hundreds of slogans which read: "Let us work for the victory of communism." Mr. Nixon then questioned, in his speech, what this slogan means. He said that if it meant working for a better life for people inside Soviet Russia, that was one thing. But if it meant the victory of communism over the world, that was something else. As Mr. Nixon put it:

"If he devoted his immense energies and talents to building a better life for the people of his own country, Mr. Khrushchev can go down in history as one of the greatest

leaders the Soviet people have ever produced. But if he diverts the resources and talents of his people to the objective of promoting the communization of countries outside the Soviet Union, he will only assure that both he and his people will continue to live in an era of fear, suspicion and tension."

Now this is harking back, in a way, to the manner in which Franklin D. Roosevelt tried to deal with the Reds, although I am sure Mr. Nixon did not realize it. During the wartime alliance with Soviet Russia, it was felt necessary to sell Stalin to

the American people as a "noble ally." But Mr. Roosevelt told Stalin that this would be impossible if Stalin went on trying to communize the world. Roosevelt wanted Stalin to dissolve the Communist International - or Comintern, as it was called. This was the world-wide organization through which Moscow directed sabotage, espionage, propaganda, and infiltration in non-communist countries. So Stalin dissolved the Comintern - and the next day secretly reconstituted it and it went right on operating exactly as it had before.

## COMMUNISM'S FAILURE

What American leaders seem to overlook is that it is impossible for Red leaders to build a better life for the Russian people under communism. If they want to stay in power, they must keep their people subjugated. If they give the people a better life, the Red bosses must dilute their communism - in which case, they might find themselves out of power, or even out of this world!

The point is that communism cannot compete with freedom and capitalism. Here is just

one little example. *United States News & World Report* interviewed two American workmen who worked side by side with Russians on the American exhibit in Moscow. It took seven Russian electricians a whole week to do a job - and an inferior one at that - which two men do in half a day here. In other words, communism's only hope of survival is to get us to debilitate and water down capitalism so that we will lower ourselves to the drab and dismal level of the com-

munist slaves. Incidentally, this fear of comparison is undoubtedly behind Khrushchev's threats on West Berlin. He can't stand a prosperous, free-enterprise West Berlin smack up against the rubble and ruin of Communist East Berlin. As for the Red Empire, it will eventually go the way of all empires - perhaps

faster than most, because it has swallowed too many people who once knew freedom.

How terrible it is, then, for us to build up and give respectability to the chief Red tyrant by welcoming him to the United States - the bastion of freedom and capitalism in the eyes of the world.

- John T. Flynn

*Foregoing items covered in Mutual network broadcast 8/23/59*

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## Book Review A SEARCH REWARDED

DEAR AND GLORIOUS PHYSICIAN  
by Taylor Caldwell, 574 pages,  
Doubleday, N. Y., \$3.95.

In this, her 19th novel, Taylor Caldwell proves once again that she is one of America's best and most popular storytellers. This account of St. Luke, author of the third book of the New Testament, promises, after more than five months on the best seller lists, to become one of her greatest successes -- a noteworthy feat when one remembers that, since 1938, Miss Caldwell's novels have sold in the millions.

For 46 years, and through four versions, Taylor Caldwell has been pursuing the

life of St. Luke, a Greek who 2,000 years ago was known as Lucanus, the master physician. In an effort to obtain information about him and his times, the author and her husband read more than a thousand books, and in 1956 they visited the Holy Land in order to see the very routes which he had traveled. The result of this research is a novel which captures the authentic flavor and background of the times.

The story of Lucanus is the story of a man who, because of the death of his childhood sweetheart, rejected God. Determined to solve for himself the eternal myster-

ies, he became one of the greatest surgeons of the ancient world (even today, St. Luke is the patron saint to artists and physicians). During his lengthy travels, Lucanus heard the fascinating stories of the life of Christ, and believing Him to be the God whom he had rejected, and was once more seeking, he determined to learn all he could about Jesus. Across the Mediterranean, through Rome and Nazareth, he searched out all who had known or seen Christ. Lucanus listened, mesmerized, as each related bits of information about Him. When at last he stood before Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and listened to the gentle Galilean woman describe how she, the wife of a poor carpenter, had given birth to the Christ child, Lucanus knew that his search had ended, that Christ really was the Son of God.

One of Miss Caldwell's chief fortes, along with her consummate ability to weave an interesting story, is her talent for drawing upon the past in order to warn us of present folly. One realizes immediately that while she writes of the over-taxed Roman populace and its welfare-statist politicians, she is writing also about present day America. And when Tribune Diodorus Cyrinus accuses the Roman Senate of betraying the Founding Fathers and the Constitution, "for which they pledged their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor," the parallel is obvious. As a student of history and a champion of individual liberty, Miss Caldwell knows that the best way to avoid the mistakes of the past is, first, to recognize them. This book, then, is her reminder of many of those mistakes. — *Edwin McDowell*

## WHAT THEY SEEK

"No wonder the movement away from communist countries continues. The brave souls who risk their lives to get out are not searching for cradle-to-grave security. They are running away from it. What they seek is the chance to live their own lives, to earn their own living, to live in dignity and self-respect as free men."

— *Senator Styles Bridges*

## THE ESKIMO AND HIS DOG

"It's an old story - that one about the Eskimo and his dog. His lead husky was a hardworking canine. At the close of a day's work, the Eskimo rewarded his faithful friend, saying, 'You've been a good dog. I give you something good.' Then he cut off a piece of the husky's tail and fed it to him.

"There is a deadly parallel between this story and what the bureaucrats mistakenly call Federal Aid to the States, except for one main difference - the husky got back all of which he had been robbed. The individual states

get back via Federal Aid only a portion of which they have been mulcted.

"Of even greater import is that the federal government is destroying their sovereignty - the *principle* which has been the *principal* factor in the phenomenal development of this nation. Because the government has preempted so many areas of taxation, the individual States have great difficulty finding money to carry on even the few services the federal government has left them to perform."

-George Peck, in the syndicated column, *THE AMERICAN WAY*.

*"If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be."* - Thomas Jefferson.

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